## MULTI-PAGE/DOCUMENT FILING FEE Fact Sheet

**BACKGROUND:** On October 22, 2003, the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors approved the Multi-Page/Document Filing Fee for certain Superior Court cases. This fee was established in an effort to require those parties who more heavily use the court system to pay for the services they receive as opposed to requiring all parties for all case types to pay additional fees. On November 3, 2003, Administrative Order 2003-106 was signed by Judge Campbell implementing the fee. (The Administrative Order is available on the court's website.)

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The fee shall only apply to cases filed after November 1, 2003.

**CASES IMPACTED BY THIS FEE:** All probate, tax, pre-decree family, and civil cases except for complex civil litigation cases. 90% of all civil cases are completed before reaching 25 pleadings.

**FEE AMOUNT and WHO MUST PAY:** Each plaintiff and each defendant must pay a fee of \$100.00 every 25 documents beginning on the 26<sup>th</sup> filing regardless of the side making the filing. However, in multi-party cases, each side shall not be charged more than \$1,200.00 every 25 documents. (Plaintiff is one side; Defendant is the other side; an Intervenor is another side.)

**DOCUMENTS EXEMPT:** The following documents shall not be counted in arriving at 25 documents/filings.

- Minute Entries
- Orders signed by the Court

**WAIVERS/DEFERRALS:** A.R.S. 12-302 is applicable to this fee. The Court may also for good cause shown reduce the fee.

**For Billing Questions**, contact the Clerk of the Court Financial Services Division at 602-506-7861.

**For General Questions** about the Administrative Order and this new process, contact Court Administration at 602-506-3205.